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## WONG SEE SUN

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Mr. McCARRAN, from the Committee on the Judiciary, submitted the following

## REPORT

[To accompany H. R. 3778]

The Committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill (H. R. 3778) for the relief of Wong See Sun, having considered the same, reports favorably thereon without amendment and recommends that the bill do pass.

### PURPOSE OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to grant to the minor Chinese child of a citizen of the United States the status of a nonquota immigrant which is the status normally enjoyed by the alien minor children of citizens of the United States.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The beneficiary of the bill is the 16-year-old daughter of Wong Yung Sau, a citizen of the United States. The child is presently in Hong Kong with her mother who is eligible to enter the United States as a nonquota immigrant as the wife of a United States citizen.

Congressman Norris Poulson, the author of the bill, submitted to the Committee on the Judiciary of the House of Representatives the following information in connection with the bill:

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA,

County of Los Angeles, ss:

I, Y. S. Wong, also known as Wong Yung Sau, residing at 1606 Court Street, Los Angeles 26, Calif., after being first duly sworn, do depose and testify as follows:

That I am a citizen of the United States by virtue of my naturalization in the United States District Court, Los Angeles, Calif., January 28, 1949, certificate of naturalization No. XXXXXX being issued to me under the name of Wong Yung Sau. I first entered the United States on December 10, 1922, at San Francisco, Calif., on the steamship *President Cleveland*. Since that time I have been outside the

United States one time only, viz: I left the United States at San Pedro, Calif., in September 1933, on the steamship *President Hoover*, and I returned to the United States at San Pedro, Calif., on the steamship *President Coolidge* November 24, 1934.

That I have been married once only, namely, to my wife Woo Nuey Guey. She and I are still married and she was never married to anyone else previous to her marriage to me. Of our marriage five children have been born to me and my wife and all of our children are in the United States excepting my youngest son and our daughter.

That I have filed a petition with the Immigration and Naturalization Service to bring my wife to the United States as a nonquota immigrant and I expect that petition to be approved very soon. Then I will proceed to China by airplane and bring my wife to the United States. At the present time my wife and my daughter Wong See Sun reside in Hong Kong, China, but with conditions being such as they are, I am afraid if I do not get my wife and my daughter to the United States immediately we may be cut off from them entirely should the Red government of China take Hong Kong. My son, Wong Choon Gon, who never came to the United States now resides in Red China and there is no way I can help him come to the United States.

That under the law of the United States, my wife is entitled to proceed to the United States as a nonquota immigrant because I am a citizen of the United States; however, when the law respecting Chinese was changed in the year 1943, no provision was made whereby naturalized American-citizen Chinese could bring their minor children to the United States. My daughter Wong See Sun is under 16 years of age and under the law of the United States respecting minor children of naturalized white people she would be admissible to the United States as a nonquota immigrant, but because she is of the Chinese race, the law requires her to come under the quota. The quota for China is 105 per year, and that quota has been subscribed for many, many years, and I believe I am correct in saying that if I should attempt to bring my daughter to the United States under the quota, it would require at least 10 years or more to accomplish same.

That I am preparing this affidavit for submission to the Congress of the United States and I respectfully request the Congress of the United States to either enact legislation to permit my daughter to proceed to the United States as a nonquota immigrant, or, better still, to enact legislation to make the immigration laws applicable to Chinese the same as those which are applicable to persons of the white race and which would permit my daughter to proceed to this country as a nonquota immigrant.

That I shall be happy to appear as a witness concerning the matters contained herein at any time either in Los Angeles, Calif., or Washington, D. C., and I shall be very grateful for whatever can be done.

WONG YUNG SAU.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, Marcus J. Pedersen, a notary public in and for the county of Los Angeles and State of California, this 6th day of April 1951, at Los Angeles, Calif.

MARCUS J. PEDERSEN.

My commission expires February 19, 1952.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA RETAIL GROCERS ASSOCIATION,

April 20, 1951.

Hon. NORRIS POULSON, M. C.,  
House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

DEAR CONGRESSMAN POULSON: In behalf of one of the members of the Southern California Retail Grocers Association, Mr. Y. S. Wong, who has been affiliated with our group for the past 12 years, I desire to call your attention to a situation which is greatly troubling Mr. Wong and in which I feel sure you can be helpful.

Mr. Wong, who is a citizen of the United States, has a 16-year-old daughter, Miss Wong See Sun, who is a Chinese citizen residing in Hong Kong, and Mr. Wong's most fervent desire is to bring her to the United States to be with her family.

Mr. Wong is a successful operator of food markets in Los Angeles. He resides at 1606 Court Street, which is in your congressional district. He has three sons, all of whom are citizens of the United States, and all of them are held in the highest regard by their friends and associates. It seems apparent that the only way that the daughter can be brought to the United States is on a nonquota status and that

a special act of Congress would be necessary to accomplish this and we understand that on a number of occasions such legislation has been adopted by the Congress.

I can assure you that Mr. Wong and his family are worthy of any confidence that might be placed in them, and certainly anything which you might find it possible to do to assist them will be deeply appreciated, not only by the family but their legion of friends and associates as well.

Respectfully yours,

S. M. WHITE, *Secretary-Manager.*

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CALIFORNIA BANK,  
*Los Angeles, Calif., April 23, 1951.*

Hon. NORRIS POULSON,  
*House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

DEAR SIR: Yung Sau Wong, 1971 Riverside Drive, Los Angeles 39, Calif., has asked us to write this letter to you in connection with the immigration to the United States of his daughter, Wong See Sun. We understand that Mr. Wong is bringing his wife to the United States, but that his 16-year-old daughter cannot immigrate unless a special act of Congress is passed. Mr. Wong informs us that he has made application for such an act.

Mr. Wong has maintained very satisfactory accounts at this bank since 1939. Balances are consistently averaging medium four-figure proportions. He and his sons own two grocery markets in this area and one in the Compton area.

We understand that Mr. Wong owns real estate, but our records do not reflect the exact status of his holdings since he has never required credit from us.

Yours very truly,

J. C. STEELMAN, Jr.,  
*Branch Manager.*

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MINDERHOUT & Co.  
*Los Angeles, Calif., April 19, 1951.*

Hon. NORRIS POULSON, M. C.,  
*House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.*

MY DEAR CONGRESSMAN POULSON: I have been contacted by my friend, Y. S. Wong, in connection with a situation concerning his 16-year-old daughter. I understand that you have been approached for the purpose of introducing a special bill into Congress to allow Mr. Wong's minor daughter to enter the United States as a nonquota immigrant so that she may accompany her mother.

I also know that Mr. Wong has three sons living in the United States, and Mr. Wong and his three sons are all citizens. However, owing to the peculiarities of the law, Mr. Wong cannot bring his daughter into the United States unless she proceeds under the Chinese quota, which is only 105 persons per year. It is my understanding that this quota has been oversubscribed for at least 10 or 20 years so that Mr. Wong may never be able to bring his daughter into the United States unless she is allowed a nonquota status by Congress.

I have known Mr. Wong for quite a number of years and I have always found him to be an honest and loyal American citizen.

I shall personally appreciate whatever you can do to assist Mr. Wong to have a special bill passed through Congress in order that his minor daughter may enter the United States as a nonquota immigrant.

Sincerely yours,

W. J. MINDERHOUT.

The committee, after consideration of all the facts in the case, is of the opinion that the bill (H. R. 3778) should be enacted.

